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SUBJ: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY INTERPELLATIONS TO BEGIN DECEMBER 12

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1. GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION FLOOR LEADERS REACHED AGREEMENT
DECEMBER 10 TO BEGIN FIVE DAYS OF ASSEMBLY INTERPELLATIONS
STARTING DECEMBER 12. TOPICS TO BE COVERED INCLUDE:

- NATIONAL SECURITY AND CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION
- RELEASE OF THOSE ARRESTED UNDER EMERGENCY

MEASURES

- STUDENT SITUATION
- ECONOMIC PROBLEMS IN ROK

AGREEMENT MUST BE APPROVED BY ASSEMBLY STEERING COMMITTEE
BEFORE TAKING EFFECT.

2. IN RETURN FOR INTERPELLATIONS NDP HAS AGREED TO PUT ASIDE
DEMANDS FOR SPECIAL CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION COMMITTEE AND
NDP LAW BILLS UNTIL SPECIAL ASSEMBLY SESSION, TO BE HELD IN
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FEBRUARY. NO LIMITATIONS WERE ANNOUNCED ON NDP EXTRA-PARLI-

AMENTARY CAMPAIGN. GOVERNMENT PARTIES HAVE REPORTEDLY AGREED TO BIPARTISAN RESOLUTION CALLING FOR LENIENT TREATMENT OF THESE ARRESTED UNDER EMERGENCY MEASURES.

3. IN DEVELOPMENT LEADING TO AGREEMENT, NDP AND DUP ASSEMBLYMEN ENDED SIT-IN FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND RELEASE OF ARRESTED PERSONS (REFTEL) MORNING DEC 8 AFTER SPENDING 72 HOURS IN MAIN ASSEMBLY CHAMBER. PRESS QUOTES NDP PRESIDENT KIM YONG-SAM AS SAYING HE DECIDED TO STOP SIT-IN EVEN THOUGH IT HAD NOT YET SUFFICIENTLY DEMONSTRATED OPPOSITION SYMPATHY WITH THOSE IN JAIL.

4. IN OTHER ASSEMBLY ACTION DUP'S THREE ASSEMBLYMEN PAK PYONG-PAE, KIM KYONG-IN AND KIM NOK-YONG ANNOUNCED DEC 9 THEIR INTENTION TO RESIGN FROM NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND CALLED ON NDP ASSEMBLYMEN TO DO SAME. DUP ASSEMBLYMEN STATED THAT EFFORTS TO CHANGE CONSTITUTION INSIDE ASSEMBLY ARE NOT EFFECTIVE, THAT ASSEMBLY SHOULD BE DISBANDED AND NEW ELECTIONS HELD TO DEMONSTRATE DESIRE OF PEOPLE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE. THEY HAVE SUBMITTED RESIGNATIONS TO PARTY PRESIDENT YANG IL-TONG FOR TRANSMISSION TO SPEAKER.
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